

# Class of 2002 Survey Excerpts

## Post Graduation Activity Summary

The Class of 2002 post graduation activity varied significantly from the Class of 2001, as a result of the collapse of Enron/Arthur Andersen, the September 11<sup>th</sup> attacks, and the economic downturn. Despite these factors 94% of our graduates were employed and/or attending graduate/professional school within 1 year of graduation.

77% of the graduates were employed, this reflects a 13% decrease compared to the Class of 2001:

- 91% of those employed are employed in full time positions
- 8% of those employed are employed in part time positions
- 1% of those employed are employed in both full & part time positions

17% of the graduates were unemployed, but attending graduate/professional school; this reflects a 9% increase compared to the Class of 2001

6% of the graduates were unemployed and not attending graduate/professional school; this reflects a 4% increase compared to the Class of 2001

64% of the graduates were employed in either Business (26%) or Education (38%); the remaining 36% were employed in a variety of fields including Arts, Communication, Engineering, Government, Health/Medicine, Human/Social Services, Science, Law & Nursing

The average starting salary for graduates of the Class of 2002 was \$36,881 (from salary ranges). Average Salaries by school were as follows:

	AM	BU	CS	ED	EG	NU	SS
Average Salary	\$35,058	\$39,250	\$33,664	\$36,071	\$43,258	\$45,192	\$38,500

The continuing disparity between the genders on salary, decreased significantly in comparison to the Class of 2001. Comparing estimated salaries, males earn an average of \$2,349 (7%) more than females; this reflects a 13% decrease in the disparity between male and female salaries in the Class of 2002.

### Breakdown by Salary Range:

Under \$19,999 .....	25 ( 4%)	\$40,000 - \$44,999 .....	82 (14%)
\$20,000 - \$24,999 .....	38 ( 7%)	\$45,000 - \$49,999 .....	37 ( 6%)
\$25,000 - \$29,999 .....	50 ( 9%)	\$50,000 - \$54,999 .....	27 ( 5%)
\$30,000 - \$34,999 .....	119 (20%)	\$55,000 - \$59,999 .....	7 ( 1%)
\$35,000 - \$39,999 .....	189 (32%)	\$60,000 or above.....	7 ( 1%)

The Top 10 non-Education Employers (based on number of TCNJ, Class of '02 graduates hired) were:

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| 1. State of New Jersey - 18                    | 7. New Jersey Manufacturer's - 4                   |
| 2. Johnson & Johnson - 10                      | 10. Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania - 3 |
| 3. Prudential Financial - 6                    | 10. New Jersey State Police - 3                    |
| 3. The College of New Jersey - 6               | 10. PricewaterhouseCoopers - 3                     |
| 5. Merrill Lynch - 5                           | 10. Quantitative Technologies - 3                  |
| 5. Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital - 5 | 10. Rutgers University - 3                         |
| 7. Enterprise - 4                              | 10. Self-Employed - 3                              |
| 7. Merck & Company - 4                         |  |

Top 10 Education Employers (by number of TCNJ Class of '02 hires)

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| 1. Hamilton Township - 8                      | 10. Council Rock - 3                         |
| 2. Freehold Regional High School District - 7 | 10. Edison Township - 3                      |
| 3. South Brunswick - 6                        | 10. Franklin Township - 3                    |
| 4. East Windsor - 5                           | 10. Katzenbach School for the Deaf - 3       |
| 4. Jersey City - 5                            | 10. Lenape Regional High School District - 3 |
| 4. Lawrence Township - 5                      | 10. Manalapan - 3                            |
| 4. West Windsor - Plainsboro - 5              | 10. Metuchen - 3                             |
| 8. Hillsborough Township - 4                  | 10. Vineland - 3                             |
| 8. Somerset Hills - 4                         |  |

## Graduate School Summary

\*16% of the graduates were attending graduate/professional school; 17% of those who indicated they were unemployed indicated they were attending graduate/professional school.

*\* This data is not comparable to data from previous years due to a change in reporting procedures. Class of 2002 Graduate/Professional School attendance was determined through use of an admissions data clearinghouse; percentages were computed from the entire class. In previous years this statistic was based on self-reporting and percentages were calculated based on the respondent pool.*

78% of graduates indicated they planned to attend graduate/professional school in the future.

70% of those planning to attend, plan to attend within 3 years of graduation

25% of those planning to attend, plan to attend within 4 to 5 years of graduation

5% of those planning to attend, plan to attend in 6 or more years.

Of those planning to attend graduate/professional school, 54% plan to pursue either Education (35%) or Business (19%), with the remaining 46% distributed amongst Arts, Health/Medicine, Science, Communication, Human/Social Services, Law, Engineering, Social Science, Government and Nursing.

83% of respondents indicated the highest degree level they intend to pursue.

65% indicated a Masters degree or Certificate as the highest degree level they will pursue.

2% indicated a Specialist degree as the highest degree level they will pursue.

23% indicated a Doctoral degree as the highest degree level they will pursue.

9% indicated a Professional degree as the highest degree level they will pursue.